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NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES INVOLVING
GENERATION OF EXTENDIBLE UPSTREAM DNA
FRAGMENTS RESULTING FROM THE CLEAVAGE OF
NUCLEIC ACID AT AN ABASIC SITE

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action issued on January 30, 2004,
the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with
the above-identified application.

The present response contains only remarks.